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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Ratzlaff *et al.*

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For: INTERCONNECT MODEL COMPILER

Group Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Magid Y. Dimyan

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**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED AUGUST 4, 2003;
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2003, for which the three-month date for response was November 4, 2003. A request for a two-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required large entity extension fee (\$420.00), bringing the due date to January 5, 2004, (January 4, 2004, falling on a Sunday). Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, please consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/SILI:003US/DDB.

Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.